THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL). (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. 6591/6592 Bangalore-Hubli Hampi Express (Daily) provides a direct train service between Gadag and Bangalore. However, work of new line from Kotturu to Harihar is in progress which when completed will provide shorter route between Gadag and Bangalore.

Return tickets from Jaipur to Sawai Madhopur

†4056. DR. ABRAR AHMED: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state whether it is a fact that rail tickets for Sawai Madhopur to Jaipur in Superfast trains are issued from Sawai Madhopur but the tickets for Jaipur to Sawai Madhopur are not issued; if so, the reasons therefor, and by when it would started to be issued?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): There are six pairs of superfast trains between Jaipur and Sawai Madhopur. Presently tickets are issued in all Superfast trains from Sawai Madhopur to Jaipur. However, in the return direction, tickets are issued for all superfast trains with the exception of 2956 Jaipur-Mumbai Central Superfast Express in which tickets are not issued due to distance restriction imposed upto Kota station.

Rail routes in States

4057. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total rail route kilometer covered in different States, State-wise and gauge-wise;

(b) the names of express trains having both the points of origination and termination in the same State, State-wise; and

(c) the rail projects under consideration in Orissa and their route length?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) A Statement is attached. (*See* below).

(b) Since boundaries of States do not form the criteria for introduction of trains, Railways do not maintain lists of trains starting and ending in a particular State.

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†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.